

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Western District of North Carolina

Charlotte Division

Carlita Anabel Gutierrez Ortiz  
5 Woodlawn Park  
Greenwood SC 29649

) Case No.

3:25-cv-314-FDW.

*(to be filled in by the Clerk's Office)*

*Plaintiff(s)*

*(Write the full name of each plaintiff who is filing this complaint.  
If the names of all the plaintiffs cannot fit in the space above,  
please write "see attached" in the space and attach an additional  
page with the full list of names.)*

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Secretary Department of Homeland Security  
And  
Directors of USCIS, ICE, CBP

) Jury Trial: *(check one)*  Yes  No

*Defendant(s)*

*(Write the full name of each defendant who is being sued. If the  
names of all the defendants cannot fit in the space above, please  
write "see attached" in the space and attach an additional page  
with the full list of names.)*

## COMPLAINT FOR A CIVIL CASE

### I. The Parties to This Complaint

#### A. The Plaintiff(s)

Provide the information below for each plaintiff named in the complaint. Attach additional pages if needed.

Name

Street Address

Carlita Anabel Gutierrez Ortiz

City and County

Greenwood

State and Zip Code

South Carolina

Telephone Number

(864) 971-0459

E-mail Address

carlagutiz04@icloud.com

#### B. The Defendant(s)

Provide the information below for each defendant named in the complaint, whether the defendant is an individual, a government agency, an organization, or a corporation. For an individual defendant, include the person's job or title *(if known)*. Attach additional pages if needed.

Defendant No. 1

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Job or Title (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and County \_\_\_\_\_

State and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant No. 2

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Job or Title (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and County \_\_\_\_\_

State and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant No. 3

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Job or Title (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and County \_\_\_\_\_

State and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant No. 4

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Job or Title (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and County \_\_\_\_\_

State and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (*if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

## II. Basis for Jurisdiction

Federal courts are courts of limited jurisdiction (limited power). Generally, only two types of cases can be heard in federal court: cases involving a federal question and cases involving diversity of citizenship of the parties. Under 28 U.S.C. § 1331, a case arising under the United States Constitution or federal laws or treaties is a federal question case. Under 28 U.S.C. § 1332, a case in which a citizen of one State sues a citizen of another State or nation and the amount at stake is more than \$75,000 is a diversity of citizenship case. In a diversity of citizenship case, no defendant may be a citizen of the same State as any plaintiff.

What is the basis for federal court jurisdiction? (*check all that apply*)

- Federal question       Diversity of citizenship

Fill out the paragraphs in this section that apply to this case.

### A. If the Basis for Jurisdiction Is a Federal Question

List the specific federal statutes, federal treaties, and/or provisions of the United States Constitution that are at issue in this case.

Refugee Act 1980, INA Section 208, (8 USC 1158. Universal Declaration (1948) of Human Rights and the

1951 Refugee Convention.

### B. If the Basis for Jurisdiction Is Diversity of Citizenship

#### 1. The Plaintiff(s)

##### a. If the plaintiff is an individual

The plaintiff, (*name*) Carlita Anabel Gutierrez Ortiz, is a citizen of the  
State of (*name*) South Carolina.

##### b. If the plaintiff is a corporation

The plaintiff, (*name*) \_\_\_\_\_, is incorporated  
under the laws of the State of (*name*) \_\_\_\_\_,  
and has its principal place of business in the State of (*name*)  
\_\_\_\_\_.

(If more than one plaintiff is named in the complaint, attach an additional page providing the same information for each additional plaintiff.)

#### 2. The Defendant(s)

##### a. If the defendant is an individual

The defendant, (*name*) \_\_\_\_\_, is a citizen of  
the State of (*name*) \_\_\_\_\_. Or is a citizen of  
(foreign nation) \_\_\_\_\_.

b. If the defendant is a corporation

The defendant, *(name)* \_\_\_\_\_, is incorporated under  
the laws of the State of *(name)* \_\_\_\_\_, and has its  
principal place of business in the State of *(name)* \_\_\_\_\_  
Or is incorporated under the laws of *(foreign nation)* \_\_\_\_\_,  
and has its principal place of business in *(name)* \_\_\_\_\_.

*(If more than one defendant is named in the complaint, attach an additional page providing the same information for each additional defendant.)*

3. The Amount in Controversy

The amount in controversy—the amount the plaintiff claims the defendant owes or the amount at stake—is more than \$75,000, not counting interest and costs of court, because *(explain)*:

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### III. Statement of Claim

Write a short and plain statement of the claim. Do not make legal arguments. State as briefly as possible the facts showing that each plaintiff is entitled to the damages or other relief sought. State how each defendant was involved and what each defendant did that caused the plaintiff harm or violated the plaintiff's rights, including the dates and places of that involvement or conduct. If more than one claim is asserted, number each claim and write a short and plain statement of each claim in a separate paragraph. Attach additional pages if needed.

My husband Edilzer Ediberto Velasquez, a derivative asylum beneficiary from my application, was placed in custody over 30 days ago and still in custody at Folkston GA ICE facility. A forged signature on a reinstatement order of a previous erroneous deportation in 2018, was done without his consent in his absence. Due process violations and his rights were never read to him. Detention is unlawful. 2018 deceived at border and deported while he was there to seek asylum with 12 year old brother. He was told to sign documents to keep them together but it was a lie. Concerned for his brother safety and here abouts, he reenter US, for fear of persecution in Guatemala, and to find his brother. He is at present Legal guardian for his brother. This has caused harm to my family, children, my husband and myself physically, emotionally, + economically.

### IV. Relief

State briefly and precisely what damages or other relief the plaintiff asks the court to order. Do not make legal arguments. Include any basis for claiming that the wrongs alleged are continuing at the present time. Include the amounts of any actual damages claimed for the acts alleged and the basis for these amounts. Include any punitive or exemplary damages claimed, the amounts, and the reasons you claim you are entitled to actual or punitive money damages.

I am asking the court to order immediate release of my husband, invalidate USCIS order and restore my husband's benefit to original Asylum application and restore work permit as well, placing him back in a legal status. I am also asking the court to cancel any deportation proceedings. Finally, I am asking the Court to provide a legal status relief due to harm to our family, physically, emotionally, and economically by allowing my husband to be able to return to his job. Declare USCIS actions Null and a pathway to a visa as a result of harm cause to myself, my husband, his brother under his legal guardianship, and any other actions that the law permit. An investigation of actions taken by the official who forged the signature to hurt my husband and his family should also needs to +

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## V. Certification and Closing

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11, by signing below, I certify to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief that this complaint: (1) is not being presented for an improper purpose, such as to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation; (2) is supported by existing law or by a nonfrivolous argument for extending, modifying, or reversing existing law; (3) the factual contentions have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, will likely have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery; and (4) the complaint otherwise complies with the requirements of Rule 11.

### A. For Parties Without an Attorney

I agree to provide the Clerk's Office with any changes to my address where case-related papers may be served. I understand that my failure to keep a current address on file with the Clerk's Office may result in the dismissal of my case.

Date of signing: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Plaintiff \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Plaintiff \_\_\_\_\_

### B. For Attorneys

Date of signing: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Attorney \_\_\_\_\_

Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Law Firm \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

State and Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of signing: 04/07/2025

Signature of Plaintiff



Printed Name of Plaintiff

CARLITA ANABEL GUTIERREZ ORTIZ

### B. For Attorneys

Date of signing:

Signature of Attorney

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Printed Name of Attorney

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Bar Number

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Name of Law Firm

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Street Address

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State and Zip Code

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Telephone Number

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